



DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT

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PLACEMENTS UP 6 %

For the week ending October 20, 2001, growers placed 11.2 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 6.4% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.2 million) increased 6.5% from the comparable week in 2000. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.2 million, an increase of 4.4% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.2 million for the week ending October 13, 2001 compared to 11.6 million slaughtered during the same week in 2000.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK ENDING	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
----- THOUSANDS -----						
08/25/2001	13,099	13,589	11,323	10,923	11,322	10,926
09/01/2001	12,150	13,419	10,896	10,927	10,896	10,927
09/08/2001	11,992	13,247	10,727	10,908	10,730	10,911
09/15/2001	12,079	11,606	10,661	11,074	10,655	11,074
09/22/2001	12,942	13,479	10,074	10,970	10,077	10,970
09/29/2001	12,849	13,747	9,912	10,811	9,912	10,811
* 10/06/2001	12,636	13,089	9,960	9,363	9,958	9,480
* 10/13/2001	13,005	13,023	10,605	10,933	10,598	11,023
10/20/2001	12,667	13,218	10,496	11,175	10,499	11,175

1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

* Revised.

NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

	WEEK ENDING 10/27/2001	PREV. WEEK	PREV. MONTH	PREV. YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	53.22	53.04	58.87	46.43
12-City Composite 2/	59.39	60.43	62.08	57.18

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.

